

constitution. Along this line we suggest our Dallas editors take a few lessons. Even Dr. Wilson might learn that a double, triple or quadruple or all kinds of money would and could maintain the same monetary value, provided the law gave to each kind the same debt paying power. "That Dr. Wilson voted for Palmer and Buckner, instead of being discreditable is in fact highly creditable, and in the event it should nominate him," etc. "And in the event it should nominate him," etc. The "it" in the above quotation seems to be the "nigger in the wood-pile." Bryan democrats, and you are not less than nine-tenths of the democratic party. That "it" is certainly a bid for the Palmer and Buckner and McKinley democrats to fall in line and boss the job. Will you let them do it? This private in ranks thinks not. If so it would be something like the so-called democracy in Texas where a minority candidate is nominated and elected governor. Farewell to such sham democracy.

L. A. Leberman, Meadville, Pa.—In the last issue of The Commoner, January 6th, you invite any of your readers to express their opinions (if they have any) freely. I have read The Commoner from almost its first issue and as I am not a writer, I have hitherto kept quiet, but I have an opinion or two and I am going to give them to you in my crude way for publication. My first vote for president was cast for Horatio Seymour, of New York state, and I have voted for every candidate of the

democratic party for president since that time, with the exception of one, and that one was Parker, in 1904, and why I did not vote for Parker? Well, I will tell you and your thousands of readers why I did not vote for him. In 1896, and again in 1900, when W. J. Bryan was the candidate for president, the New York World, with a number of other papers that pretend to be democratic, but who generally support the candidates of the republican party, with all the plutocratic Wall Street bankers and trust magnates, threw their influence against Bryan and gave thousands of dollars to the republican campaign fund to defeat him instead of throwing their influence and giving their money to help to elect him; and this they did after Bryan was each time nominated by the overwhelming sentiment of the true democrats of the entire nation. After he was twice defeated by the crowd already mentioned, I made a vow as thousands of democrats all over the country did, that I would never vote for any man for president who pretended to be a democrat and yet threw all his influence against the election of William J. Bryan. In this promise I made, I also include any man who is put forward for president by the crowd spoken of, for if he will allow them to groom him he is one of them. The New York World, with the balance of the pretended democratic trust magnates, stands for the same policies (with perhaps the exception of the tariff issue) that Aldrich and Cannon stand for and which has been carried out by the republican party for the last fourteen years without any interference from such pretended democrats as are now coming to the front and asking the true Jefferson, Jackson and Bryan democrats to take the rear seats. I am a democrat who fights for principle and not for office and I had rather vote for the meanest stand-pat republican in the country than to vote for a pretended democrat who, if elected, would advocate the same principles the republican party is now forcing on the country. If the policies now advocated and put in force by the republicans are to be continued I want the republicans to continue them and get the curse and not the democratic party.

W. D. Wilson, Houston, Texas—Should not the democratic party oppose the placing of some tens of thousands more office-holders—postmasters, the great majority of them republicans—in life positions with the government as recommended by the president? The republican office-holders have for years been the government-paid active political workers and contributors for the republican party all over the country. How much does \$10 or \$25, contributed by each republican office-holder amount to, to be yearly sent to some of the doubtful states? They contribute—else human nature and gratitude are no longer a part of man's make-up. Is it not detrimental to the public welfare to have tens of thousands of office-holders of one party or the other, holding life positions in the government service? Even sections that are entirely democratic are wholly officered by republicans, and now it is sought to make their position life-long. Why should this condition be perpetuated? It seems to the writer that the democrats have long consented to life-long positions being made for those who are holding office, while the republican party goes on packing the list from their party by the thousands.

#### BETWEEN OCTOGENARIANS

"I understand they sentenced him to life imprisonment?"  
"Well, no; it wasn't as bad as that. He got only 99 years!"—Puck.

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